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Via ECF

Hon. Lorna G. Schofield
Thurgood Marshall
United States Courthouse
40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

Dear Judge Schofield,

The Firm that Fights for Workers' Rights!
The initial conference scheduled for December 7, 2022, is **ADJOURNED to January 25, 2023, at 4:10 P.M.** The conference will be telephonic and will take place on the following line: 888-363-4749; access code: 558-3333. The parties shall file the referenced joint letter by **January 18, 2023.**

The parties (including both Plaintiff and Plaintiff's counsel) shall participate in settlement discussions before the Hon. Stewart D. Aaron, U.S.M.J., regarding the issues referenced in the endorsed letter. An order referring the parties for settlement discussions will issue separately. The parties shall act promptly to schedule a time for settlement discussions, given Judge Aaron's heavy schedule. Within seven days of any settlement discussions, the parties shall file a joint letter with the Court apprising it of the outcome of those discussions.

If Defendant would like an extension of time to answer, move or otherwise respond to the complaint, it shall file a letter motion requesting such relief. So Ordered.

Dated: December 2, 2022
New York, New York


LORNA G. SCHOFIELD
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

I apologize for not filing a status letter yesterday. Opposing counsel drafted a status letter of which I approved, and they indicated they would file the letter with the Court. However, now, it is not clear at this point if they have been formally retained.

This case is a bit frustrating. We reached a settlement prior to filing the Complaint, but we filed the Complaint to ensure the statute of limitations was met while the settlement agreement was being drafted.

However, when the Plaintiff was presented with the paperwork, she refused to sign and settle the case. Since then, I have offered to reduce my fee and the defendant increased their settlement offer, but Plaintiff will not accept.

We believe a settlement conference before a magistrate might help facilitate a resolution.

I have asked opposing counsel if they will accept a waiver of service so we have time for them to file an answer so we can try to resolve the matter.

I have been apprising opposing counsel of the Court's orders when I am notified.

If the Court requires any more information, I am available.

Respectfully,

By: _____
Jordan El-Hag, Esq